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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED EXAMINING GROUP ART UNIT 1619

> PATENT Customer Number 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 2481.1641-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Karl T. Kraemer and Manfred Bohn) Group Art Unit: 1619

Application No.: 09/425,742) Examiner: L. Wells

Filed: October 22, 1999

For: COMPOSITIONS FOR TOPICAL APPLICATION

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Sir:

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This response to the Office Action of May 3, 2002, requests the Office to reconsider and reexamine the application in light of the following remarks. This response is timely, since it is being filed before the extended shortened statutory period for reply ending September 3, 2002.

<u>REMARKS</u>

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-29 are pending and are subject to restriction and election requirements.

Claims 1-8 and 10-29 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). Claim 9 has been

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